Losengo language

Losengo (Lusengo) is a Bantu language spoken in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. It has had a significant effect on Lingala, the most important Bantu language in the two Congos.

Maho (2009) lists the following dialects:[5]

- Poto (Pfoto), including Yakata
- Mpesa (Limpesa)
- Mbudza (*cf.* the related Budza language)
- Mangala (Ngala) [the name of the Bangi lingua franca that became Lingala]
- Loki (Boloki)
- Kangana
- Ndolo

(Yamongeri, however, is a variety of Mongo.)

Losengo	
Native to	Democratic Republic of the Congo
Native speakers	(67,000 cited 1983–2002)[1]
Language family	Niger–Congo ▪ Atlantic–Congo ▪ Benue–Congo ▪ Bantoid ▪ Bantu (Zone C) ▪ Bangi–Ntomba (C.30) ▪ Zamba–Binza ▪ Losengo languages ▪ **Losengo**
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	`lse` – inclusive code Individual codes: `bkt` – Boloki `ndl` – Ndolo

Glottolog	`luse1252 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/luse1252)`
	Lusengo[2]
	`ndol1238 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/ndol1238)`
	Ndolo[3]
	`bolo1262 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/bolo1262)`
	Boloki[4]

Guthrie code	`C.36`[5]

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